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The Honorable Harold Rogers Chairman, Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rodney P. Frelinghuysen Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye Chairman, Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

Subject: Section 311 Notification of Pending Public Announcement of Selection of Applications for Negotiation of Financial Assistance Awards

Dear Chairmen Rogers, Inouye, Frelinghuysen and Feinstein:

In accordance with Section 311 of P.L. 111-85, no earlier than three full business days from the date of this notification, the Department of Energy intends to announce publicly one or more selections for negotiation of financial assistance award(s) over \$1,000,000.

This information is market sensitive, predecisional and not public at this time. Accordingly, we request that you do not further disseminate this information. If you are considering disseminating this predecisional information, we respectfully request that you consult with the Department prior to making such a decision.

The action, in support of the Department of Energy, (insert the name of the DOE Office that this action supports), is as follows: (State the following in bullet format

- Funding is being provided for Notice Number (fill-in), entitled "provide title". Provide a short description of financial assistance effort.
- The grant number is (*fill-in*).
- The selectee is (name of the selectee), located in (name city and state).

• The dollar value of this award is (\$ dollar amount to the nearest dollar state to include cost share if it applies).

Note: (If there are more than a few selectees to list, then the list can be an enclosure to the letter. For an Office of Science 10 CFR 605 award, edit the letter to show it is for financial assistance awards instead of selection of applicants.)

Staff from the Office of Budget, Office of the Chief Financial Officer will follow up with additional details as appropriate. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of External Coordination at 202-586-4180.

Sincerely,

Patrick M. Ferraro Acting Director Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

cc:

The Honorable Norman D. Dicks Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Thad Cochran Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate

The Honorable Peter Visclosky Ranking Member Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Lamar Alexander Ranking Member Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development U.S. Senate